



## Chancellor McCoy Retires

After two decades on the bench, Davidson County Chancellor Carol McCoy has retired from her position. According to the [Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts](#), McCoy presided over high-profile cases such as the Tennessee Voter Identification Act, the Open Records Act and the TennCare lawsuit. Prior to being elected to the bench in 1996, she worked at Legal Services (which later became the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland), the Tennessee Department of Revenue and as a partner at two law firms. McCoy was a founding member of the Lawyers Association for Women and CABLE, presiding judge of the 20th Judicial District from 1999-2001 and president of the Judicial Conference in 2009-2010. Bill Young has been appointed to serve in Chancellor McCoy's position.



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## Additions to the New Justice Center

The former Davidson County Criminal Justice Center is undergoing demolition work, and the county sheriff has announced that the new jail will include a mental health unit. The 64-bed section will be for those arrested on misdemeanor charges who do not pass a mental health evaluation, according to [NewsChannel5](#). The project's overall budget is \$113 million, with \$10 million going towards the mental health unit. The new facility is expected to open in 2019.

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## Justice Reform Program Tested in Nashville

involving low income or minority families, per the *Tennessean*. A total of 15 lawyers spread across five courtrooms in the Justice A. A. Birch Building to observe how some of the most frequent case types, such as domestic violence and misdemeanor arrests, are handled, and if defendants have – or are aware of their rights to have – legal representation.

## Legal Aid Receives Funding for Domestic Violence Work

## Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland

The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County will give the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland a \$186,500 grant to be distributed in the current fiscal year. This money is allocated for survivors of domestic violence and will be used for legal representation, attendance at order of protection hearings and community education. Last year, the group was able to provide assistance to 279 victims, attend 136 court dockets and publish more than 1,150 self-help guides and other education materials through similar funding.

## Comments Requested for Nashville Chancery Court’s E-Filing System

The Davidson County Chancery Court has requested input from attorneys and the public concerning local rules for the court’s new electronic case filing system. The proposed rules are posted on the [Davidson County Clerk and Master website](#), and comments can be [submitted electronically](#) with “e-filing rules” as the subject line. Comments can also be mailed to the Davidson County Clerk and Master, 1 Public Square, Ste. 308, Nashville, TN 37201. All comments must be submitted by Oct. 31 to be considered.

## August 2016 Circuit Court Trial Report

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CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL VERDICTS						
August 2016						
JURY TRIALS						IF CASE WAS APPEALED FROM GENERAL SESSIONS
CASE	TYPE OF CASE	COURT	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	U.S. JUDGMENT	APPELLANT	
Week of August 8						
11C082	Auto/Truck	8	Defendant			
14C008	Real Estate/Personal Injury	8	Plaintiff - \$242,000; 25% ROL; Fault to Def.			
Week of August 15 - COMPLEX MONDAY ONLY DOCKET (NO TRIALS HEARD THIS WEEK. ALL CASES HAVE RESOLVED)						
Week of August 22 - COMPLEX MONDAY ONLY DOCKET (NO TRIALS HEARD THIS WEEK. ALL CASES HAVE RESOLVED)						
NON-JURY TRIALS						
CASE	TYPE OF CASE	COURT	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	U.S. JUDGMENT	APPELLANT	
11C096	GS&A-Contract	8	Plaintiff - \$4,000 + Costs			
11C455	GS&A-Parent to Receiver	8	Defendant - Divorced			Plt. - POSSESSION; Defendant
18C176	METRO TRAFFIC APPEAL	8	Plaintiff - Guilty of BREKING IN VIOLATION OF METRO CITY §2-202(b)			
18C1204	GS&A-Contract	8	Plaintiff - \$2,000			Plt. - \$1,500; Defendant
18C1203	GS&A-Contract	2	Plaintiff - \$675 + Costs to Def.			Plt. - \$500; Defendant
11C2893	GS Transient/Personal and Unsett Settlement	8	Plaintiff All equipment worth \$1,400 in back seat; no car used equipment worth \$200; no car used; missing inventory			
11C088	GS&A-Contract	8	Defendant - Divorced			Plaintiff
SPECIALLY SET TRIALS						
CASE	TYPE OF CASE	COURT	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	DATE OF TRIAL	JURY OR NON-JURY	U.S. JUDGMENT BY
2015-0-2113	Domestic Violence	2	Plaintiff - Penal Code	8/26/16	JURY	
08CR38	CONDOMINIUM	8	8th case; MARKET VALUE OF REPARATIONS TO BUYER \$2,000,300 (\$68 PER SQUARE FOOT)	8/29/16	JURY	

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